

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-1317**

April 28, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Lewistown Municipal Water Supply in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Lewistown, located at 119 S. Adams Street, Lewistown, IL 61542.

The funding would be used to address municipal water system concerns in Lewistown, IL, including ground tank water storage and plumbing. Lewistown has an aging water system, with water mains and sewer line pipes nearing 150 years old, well exceeding the average service life of 50 years. Water contaminants and deteriorating infrastructure has challenged the City of Lewistown to ensure safe, healthy water is readily available.

The municipal water supply has had high levels of manganese and is currently non-compliant with levels set forth in the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Act. Ingestion of excess manganese has the potential to cause significant health implications, with children and infants most susceptible. Addressing the needs of the municipal water system will reduce water contamination, prevent disease and mitigate looming public health concerns. Funding this project will support the City of Lewistown's commitment to ensure safe, healthy drinking water is readily available to all residents.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Cheri Bustos  
Member of Congress